

STATE OF OHIO
Executive Department
OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
Columbus

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and U.S. Secretary of Education Margaret Spellings have jointly declared International Education Week on November 13-17, 2006; and

WHEREAS, Ohio students who participate in international educational exchange activities gain important language skills and cultural knowledge through exposure to issues and events of global magnitude that prepare them as future leaders in government, education and business; and

WHEREAS, the thousands of international students who attend Ohio's schools, colleges, universities, and other institutes of higher education enrich the overall educational system and contribute to the multicultural diversity of our schools and campuses; and

WHEREAS, the friendships that are forged through international exchange experiences promote a global community and contribute to a culture of peace and cooperation among citizens of many nations; and

WHEREAS, during this time many of Ohio's schools, colleges, universities, international organizations, businesses and associations will be engaged in supporting international education by offering special outreach programs highlighting the importance of global understanding for students of all nations; and

WHEREAS, the NAFSA Association of International Educators is to be commended for their efforts toward promoting international education and global workforce development.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BOB TAFT, Governor of the State of Ohio, do hereby designate November 13-17, 2006, as

**INTERNATIONAL
EDUCATION WEEK**

throughout the state. I encourage all Ohioans, especially educational professionals, to promote the importance of developing international understanding through classroom and community events.

On this 13th day of November, 2006;

Bob Taft

Bob Taft
Governor

